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DESCRIPTION OF A NEW *IOLE* FROM THE ANAMBA ISLANDS.

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A specimen of *Iole olivacea* from the Anamba Islands has recently come to light in the collection of the United States National Museum. When the writer reported on the collection made by Dr. W. L. Abbott on these islands in 1899* this particular bird was not to be found. It adds a genus as well as a species to the fauna of the Anamba group, making altogether 57 species and subspecies of birds now known from this archipelago.

Iole olivacea crypta, subsp. nov.

Chars. subsp.—Similar to *Iole olivacea olivacea*, from the Malay Peninsula, but upper parts darker.

Description.—Type, adult male, No. 171,079, U. S. Nat. Mus.; Pulo Jimaja, Anamba Islands, South China Sea, September 22, 1899; Dr. W. L. Abbott. Pileum olive brown, slightly and obscurely streaked with a darker shade; remaining upper surface between olive and brownish olive, rather lighter and more rufescent on the rump, and passing on the upper tail-coverts into a brown between Prout's brown and mummy brown; tail olive brown, the outer margins of the feathers olivaceous; wings fuscous, the inner edges of secondaries and of the basal portion of the primaries dull cartridge buff, the edgings of the outer webs of primaries and secondaries, together with those of the tertials and greater wing-coverts, rather light brownish olive, the median and lesser wing-coverts like the back; lores and a very narrow superciliary stripe, olive buff; cheeks and auriculars, between dark olive buff and citrine drab; a narrow postocular stripe olive brown; a horizontal stripe above the last, of the same color as the cheeks, but duller and darker; sides of the neck like the back; chin and throat rather yellowish deep olive buff; jugulum and upper breast, between deep olive buff and dark olive buff, broadly, though obscurely,

* Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus. No. 98, June 30, 1917, pp. 1-75.

streaked with citrine drab; lower breast between primrose yellow and colonial buff; abdomen marguerite yellow; sides and flanks, citrine drab; lower tail-coverts dull chamois, the centers of the feathers light brownish olive; thighs citrine drab; lining of wing colonial buff; "iris gray; upper mandible dark horn brown; lower mandible pale leaden; feet fleshy brown."

Measurements of type.—Total length (in flesh) 94 mm.;* wing, 90; tail, 81; exposed culmen, 16; tarsus, 19; middle toe without claw, 12.5.

Geographic distribution.—Anamla Islands to Sumatra.

Remarks.—This new race is similar also to *Iole olivacea charlottae* from Borneo†, but is less rufescent and somewhat paler above, as well as less rufescent and less deeply yellowish below. Birds from Sumatra appear to be identical with *Iole olivacea crypta*, though they vary somewhat individually.

* Measured by the collector.

† *Criniger charlottae* Finsch. Journ. f. Ornith., XV, No. 1, January, 1867, p. 19 (Borneo).